

been fixed, applicable to all freight within the jurisdiction of the Western Trunk Line Committee.

It asserts the charges now to be imposed are the same for all the defendants and are so made by agreement.

#### Rates Fixed by Committee.

The petition then goes on to show how the alleged rates are fixed by the Western Trunk Line Committee. The complainant charges that the committee was organized and is maintained in violation of the provision of the act of Congress in 1890, and that it constitutes an unlawful combination and conspiracy in restraint of commerce and trade.

Charges are made that the unreasonable and excessive rates, fixed without competition by conspiracy, apply to a vast number of commodities of prime utility and daily necessity. The unreasonable advances in freight charges apply to approximately 60 per cent. of the commodities carried and will increase freight charges in amounts varying from 10 to 20 per cent. of the rate in effect heretofore, it is charged.

The petition closes by saying that unless the unreasonable schedule of rates is restrained it will become effective on June 1, and the citizens of the United States, who ship commodities through the Western Trunk Line Committee territory, "will be compelled to pay arbitrary, unreasonable and excessive rates, and will be deprived of the benefits that might be expected to flow from free competition between the lines of transportation and communication owned by the defendants."

It was announced to-night that the date for the hearing on the restraining order will be fixed at St. Louis tomorrow.

#### Railroads Will Fight.

Chicago, May 31.—"They've got the pins against us," was the first comment of E. P. Ripley, president of the Atchafalaya, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad, when informed that the government would seek to enjoin the railroads of the Western Traffic Association from putting into effect the advance in rates scheduled for June 1. Mr. Ripley's subsequent remarks left no doubt that the railroads would fight the government. "The shippers who have attended meetings to protest against the advance have no personal knowledge of the subject," he continued. "They have been deceived by the ringleaders, who have distorted the facts, and have urged with the figures. If they will take the trouble to ascertain the truth the deception will become apparent."

"There is no chance for juggling with figures, or deception on the railroad side. Our gross earnings are increasing, but our net income is declining. Who, among the shippers, would view such a state of things in his own business with equanimity?"

"But that is not the worst of it. Such results as are now obtained, poor as they are, arise from policies that are cumulative in evil for the future, because the properties are not improved or kept up to the proper standard. If we are fortunate enough to escape the present advance, a few years hence to have full crops and active business, and if the railroads are then unable to do what they are expected to do, these same shippers will perhaps perceive that they ought to have been better off with the advance. The efforts of the railroads for better conditions. Also we have recently increased wages to a large amount, and this will further decrease net earnings. I am not especially alluding to Atchafalaya conditions, but to the strongest among us cannot stand under present conditions, and the weaker will, of course, drop first."

## ROOSEVELT STIRS ENGLISH NATION

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lunches, at which many prominent personages were present.

The casket presented to Mr. Roosevelt was of fine form, the front and reverse being decorated with panels bearing enamel-painted views of the Hall, the Mansion House, St. Paul's Cathedral and the Tower Bridge. The centre was occupied by the full blazon of the royal arms, in enamel with an ornamental shield below, containing the inscription: "At the four corners were enameled the arms of England, the United States, the city shield and the Union Jack. The base was of solid silver, having at one end a finely modeled American bison and at the other the British lion. The base stood upon eight gold feet, with a lower pedestal of oak and velvet."

Winners at Tennis. Tennis at the Hermitage Club was marred yesterday by the cold and a strong wind. The players were few. Class B. Handy beat Evans Lindsey 6-0, 6-2. The latter played well in the second set. The wind bothered both men considerably. Alfred Upshur beat Addison Reynolds 6-0, 6-4, 6-4. Reynolds won the second set after hard fight. The decisive set was close. Upshur finally getting the upperhand. Class C. C. beat H. 6-4, 6-2. No matches were played in Class A.

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## BITTERLY RESENTS YELLOW REPORTS

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Informed by some of the customs officials there that the ruling as set forth in the customs literature, with which I had been furnished, had recently been changed, and that, under this new ruling, my wife and daughter would not come under the head of non-residents, and, therefore, should pay duty on their baggage. I asked for a copy of this new ruling, but was unable to obtain it, and have never yet been able to see any written or printed statement of the alleged new ruling. I did not undertake to dispute it, however, but told the officials that if my wife's baggage was dutiable, I was ready and willing to pay the duty on it, and asked them to appraise it, explaining to them that, having been informed by the official literature with which I had been furnished that it was not dutiable, I was not, nor was my wife, prepared on the moment to produce receipts for each and every article, or to make a list of her purchases extending over a period of more than two years, nor did we attempt to make any detailed valuation of them. My wife's baggage, consisting, as I have said, of the purchases of herself and daughter for more than two years, was thereupon, at my request, forthwith examined and appraised by the customs people at some \$2,500, and the duty thereon (between 50 per cent. and 60 per cent. of appraisement), amounting to some \$1,500, was paid by me on the same day that we arrived.

"On the basis of this state of facts

the most sensational publications have been made, at which I do not hesitate to say I feel the greatest indignation. For instance, it was published that bolts of cloth were found in my wife's baggage, while the only article in her baggage which by the greatest stretch of the imagination, could possibly be described as a bolt of cloth, was a roll of sheets which my family had used for over a year, and which even the customs officials themselves admitted was a non-dutiable article, and therefore they assessed no duty on it. The jewels which we alleged to have purchased abroad had no existence in fact, and no jewelry whatever was appraised for duty, we having none at all except the few modest ornaments which my wife has worn for years and took abroad with her.

"These are the real facts of the case, and I am glad of this opportunity to acquaint the public with them."

## HUMAN STOMACH UNWELCOME LOAD

Officer Carries Counterpart of Dynamite Bomb Through City Streets.

Robert Louis Stevenson in "The Dynamiter" did not devise a fiction more disquieting than the dilemma of G. H. Parr, of Nelson county, who called at Governor Mann's office yesterday to seek advice and consolation. Mr. Parr had in his possession a human stomach which was supposed to contain poison, and he was in momentary fear that it would explode with fatal results from the accumulation of gas.

Unwilling to relinquish his sacred trust until it had reached the hands of a chemist, Mr. Parr, who is a special officer, was distinctly in a pickle. The stomach was in a glass jar, this material adding to the danger in case of accident.

"I can't go to bed in the same hotel with it," he said pathetically to Secretary Ben Owen. "I don't want to wreck a hotel. If I carry it on the street I am in fear that it will blow me up and a platoon of innocent bystanders up into the air. What can I do?"

Until last week the stomach was the property of one Frank Howell, who lived near Massie's Mill. He died rather suddenly. Local physicians examined the young man and found strychnine. A young man of the neighborhood has been missing since the crime, according to Mr. Parr. It is said that there is evidence to show that he purchased poison from a drug firm in Lynchburg. The name of a woman is used in connection with the affair.

Secretary Owen got in communication with Commonwealth's Attorney Whitehead, of Nelson, who, thinking the charge of a local chemist for analysis rather high, advised that the stomach be taken to the University of Virginia. Mr. Parr has been warned that the gas in the jar may cause an explosion at any moment. "There may be a train wreck in a few hours," he said as he left the Capitol.

#### HENRY LANDON CABELL IN NORFOLK HOSPITAL

Henry Landon Cabell, of Richmond, who has been spending some time at Willoughby Spit, was taken suddenly ill yesterday with what was thought to be an attack of appendicitis. He was removed to the Protestant Hospital in Norfolk, where, after examination, it was found that he was merely suffering from a bilious attack.

Mr. Cabell was rapidly recovering from the attack when heard from last night, and it is thought that he will return home before the end of the week.

## News of South Richmond

South Richmond Bureau. The Times-Dispatch, 1109 Hull Street.

The following letter from E. F. Davis, an ex-Confederate veteran, whose home is at 3529 Decatur Street, is of special interest. Mr. Davis has the following to say regarding the incident during the war:

"In the September issue of the Confederate Veteran, there was a statement made that a soldier of the 1st South Carolina Infantry, who was killed at the battle of Gettysburg, was buried in the cemetery at the foot of the bridge over the James River. I am a member of the 1st South Carolina Infantry, and I can assure you that no such incident occurred. The only incident of the kind that I remember was that of a soldier of the 1st South Carolina Infantry, who was killed at the battle of Gettysburg, and whose body was found on the battlefield. The body was buried in the cemetery at the foot of the bridge over the James River. I am a member of the 1st South Carolina Infantry, and I can assure you that no such incident occurred."

"I belonged to General William W. Gary's command, Company B, Twenty-ninth Virginia Cavalry, and was attached as the rear man of the rear guard under Lieutenant Oliver at Fort Gilmer, and so continued until I reached Burwell's Station. I remember distinctly that I was with Gideon Starke, of my own company, and that we were placed about forty or fifty yards apart. The bridge was blazing from the tar which had been poured on it when we came down Fourteenth Street, and in crossing we were forced to jump over a fence which was in many places before we reached the South Side. Having crossed, I remember stopping and looking back. The Richmond end of the bridge was in a blaze, and it would have been an utter impossibility for any breathing thing to have crossed through the flames. I remember that it was a hard job for me to get my horse to jump the blaze, and that I had to continue to jump until we were all through. 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